

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-22. (Canceled)

23. (Currently amended) A method in a computer system of generating a versatile financial transaction, the computer system including a processor and a memory coupled to the processor, the method comprising:

using the computer system to provide ~~providing~~ a user a graphical user interface to select a versatile financial transaction from a plurality of possible versatile financial transactions;

receiving at the computer system an order from the user for the versatile financial transaction, wherein the versatile financial transaction is related to an underlying instrument;

wherein the versatile financial transaction is comprised of at least five subcomponent option transactions,

wherein each of the at least five subcomponent option transactions is related to the underlying instrument;

~~wherein the user's ordered versatile financial transaction is at a higher level than each of the at least five subcomponent option transactions;~~

electronically processing via the computer system the order for the subcomponent option transactions;

wherein the subcomponent option transactions are interrelated;

~~wherein each of the at least five subcomponent option transactions is a specific type of option transaction;~~

wherein subcomponent parameters specified in the order are based on ordering requirements made for the versatile financial transaction;

wherein each of the at least five subcomponent option transactions specified in the order require the other subcomponent option transactions in the order to execute as specified, otherwise none of the at least five subcomponent option transactions will execute;

transmitting via the computer system the interrelated subcomponents to a trade executing entity for fulfillment only when each of the five subcomponent option transactions will execute as specified; and

presenting the user, via the graphical user interface, with a confirmation of an execution of trades for each of the order's subcomponents.

24-43. (Canceled)

44. (Currently amended) A method in a computer system of generating a versatile financial transaction, comprising:

identifying an underlying financial instrument;

identifying a versatile financial transaction for the underlying financial instrument,

wherein the versatile financial transaction includes at least three subcomponent option transactions;

using the computer system to provide ~~providing~~ an order for processing the subcomponent option transactions;

wherein the subcomponent option transactions are interrelated,

~~wherein each of the subcomponent option transactions is a specific type of option transaction;~~

~~wherein the identified versatile financial transaction is at a higher level than each of the subcomponent option transactions;~~

wherein subcomponent parameters specified in the order are based on ordering requirements made in identifying the versatile financial transaction;

wherein at least one of the subcomponents specified in the order require other subcomponents in the order to execute as specified, otherwise none of the subcomponents will execute;

transmitting via the computer system the interrelated subcomponents to a trade executing entity for fulfillment,

generating via the computer system a confirmation of an execution of a trade on the versatile financial transaction.

45-52. (Canceled)

53. (Previously presented) The method of claim 44, wherein the subcomponents are obtained simultaneously.

54. (Canceled)

55. (Previously presented) The method of claim 44, further comprising:

facilitating the execution of trades on the order's subcomponents simultaneously.

56-64. (Canceled)

65. (Currently amended) A method in a computer system of generating a versatile financial transaction, the computer system including a processor and a memory coupled to the processor, the method comprising:

receiving at the computer system an order for the versatile financial transaction for an underlying financial instrument,

wherein the versatile financial transaction includes at least three subcomponent option transactions;

processing the order for the subcomponent option transactions;

wherein the subcomponent transactions are interrelated,

wherein each of the at least three subcomponent option transactions is related to the underlying financial instrument;

wherein at least one of the subcomponent option transactions specified in the order require other subcomponent option transactions in the order to execute as specified, otherwise both sets of subcomponent option transactions will not execute; and

~~wherein the ordered versatile financial transaction is at a higher level than each of the at least three subcomponent option transactions;~~

wherein each of the at least three subcomponent option transactions is associated with a specific market instrument ~~a specific type of option transaction;~~

using the computer system to effect ~~effecting~~ the execution of trades on the order's subcomponents.

66. (Original) The method of claim 65, wherein a complement order is made available to a trading market.

67. (Canceled)

68. (Previously presented) The method of claim 65, wherein the subcomponent option transactions are over-the-counter options.

69. (Original) The method of claim 65, wherein subcomponent parameters specified in the order are based on ordering requirements made for the versatile financial transaction.

70-73. (Canceled)

74. (Previously presented) The method of claim 65, wherein the subcomponents are obtained simultaneously.

75. (Canceled)

76. (Previously presented) The method of claim 65, wherein execution of trades on the order's subcomponents occurs simultaneously.

77. (Original) The method of claim 65, wherein one order is populated for all subcomponents.

78. (Original) The method of claim 65, wherein one order is provided for each subcomponent.

79. (Original) The method of claim 65, wherein some subcomponents are amalgamated into one order and other orders are provided for each subcomponent.

80. (Canceled)

81. (Original) The method of claim 65, wherein the versatile financial transaction is a SlingshotHedge.

82 - 126. (Canceled)

127. (Currently amended) A memory storage containing instructions configured to be executed by a processor, the instructions which, when executed by the processor, cause the performance of a method, comprising:

displaying a plurality of versatile financial transactions for selection by ~~from~~ which a user ~~may choose~~;

facilitating a user in selecting a specific versatile financial transaction from the plurality of versatile financial transactions, wherein the selected versatile financial transaction is related to either a stock or a future;

wherein the selected versatile financial transaction includes three or more interrelated, subcomponent, option transactions,

wherein each of the three or more subcomponent option transactions is related to either the stock or the future;

wherein each the three or more interrelated, subcomponent option transactions specified in the order require the other subcomponent option transactions in the order to execute as specified, otherwise none of the three or more interrelated, subcomponent option transactions will execute;

~~wherein the selected versatile financial transaction is at a higher level than each of the three or more subcomponent option transactions;~~

transmitting the interrelated subcomponents to a trade executing entity for fulfillment; and

displaying to the user a confirmation of an execution of a trade for the selected versatile financial transaction.

128. (New) The method of claim 23, further comprising receiving at the computer system instructions to execute the trades for the versatile financial transaction only at specified strike parameters.